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LIBRARY INTERNSHIPS ANNOUNCED

Fifteen young people have been awarded library internships in ten public libraries of South Carolina for the summer of 1963. The library interns, their colleges, and the sponsoring libraries are:

Ann Jacqueline Crouch, Erskine College, Aiken-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library

Pamela K. Riley, Winthrop College, Calhoun County Library
Margaret A. S. Boatwright, Coker College, Charleston County Library
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Mary Catherine Tanner, Coker College, Charleston County Library Brenda C. Humphries, Lander College, Greenwood County Library Martha Jeanette Lancaster, Furman University, Greenville County Library

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Anne Marie Burns, Limestone College, Spartanburg Public Library James D. McQuirt, Jr., Wofford College, Spartanburg Public Library

Library internships are work-training positions designed to give college students and recent graduates an opportunity to learn about public librarianship. The program is sponsored by the State Library Board and the Public Library Section of the South Carolina Library Association as a means of attracting qualified students to the field of librarianship. Forty-six young people have participated in the training program during the preceding four years.

CERTIFICATION PROGRAM EXTENDED TO PRE-PROFESSIONALS

Having issued professional and prior service certificates to qualified public librarians, the State Library Board is now preparing to certify pre-professional and provisional pre-professional staff members.

The requirements for these certificates, as stated in the certification program, are as follows:

Pre-Professional Certificate

Completion of at least four years' work in a college or university approved by an agency of more than state-wide standing and not less than six semester hours in library science with evidence of satisfactory completion. This certificate is valid for 3 years and renewable by continuous library experience and the successful completion of additional academic and/or library science courses.

Provisional Pre-Professional Certificate

Completion of at least two years' Liberal Arts curriculum in a college or junior college of recognized standing. This certificate is valid for 3 years and renewable by continuous library experience and successful completion of additional academic and/or library science courses.

Librarians are asked to send immediately the names and positions of persons on the library staff who qualify for either pre-professional or provisional pre-professional certificates. Application forms will be sent to individuals who meet certification requirements.

CONGRESSIONAL RECOGNITION OF BEAUFORT LIBRARY

On April 3 Senator Olin D. Johnston complimented the Beaufort County Library for winning the Book-of-the-Month Club Award and termed its program an outstanding example of the progressive service rendered by libraries throughout the state.

His remarks and the two joint resolutions of the S. C. Legislature were inserted in the Congressional Record.

On April 10 Representative Mendel L. Rivers spoke on the significance of National Library Week. He reviewed the history of the Beaufort Library and praised the Beaufort County Library for winning the National Book-of-the-Month Club Award.

Mr. Rivers was given permission to extend his remarks in the Congressional Record.

HOME DEMONSTRATION READING LISTS READY

The Home Demonstration Club Reading List has been completed and delivered to the printer. It will be ready for distribution within the coming month. Libraries participating in the reading program should inform the State Library Board of the number of lists needed if they have not done so.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

Library Services Act

Public Library Services and Construction H. R. 4879, a bill identical to Title VI, Part C, of H. R. 3000, expands the benefits of the Library Services Act to urban areas and provides assistance in construction of library buildings.

Several congressmen have questioned making funds available to urban areas when there are unmet needs in rural communities.

Will you:

- 1. Write your Representative for a copy of the bill.
- 2. Read it carefully.
- 3. Write your Representative and point out that under our system of county or regional libraries the strengthening of the central library whether it be in a county seat of 6,000 or 100,000 means better service for the entire area.
 - 4. Urge your Representative to inform the members of the Education and Labor Committee of his stand on this legislation.

Tax Deductions for Donations to Public Libraries

President Kennedy's tax recommendations called for 30% income tax deduction, now allowable for donations to churches, educational institutions, etc., to be extended to donors to public libraries. The current deduction is 20%.

H. R. 498 and 2078 provide for the increase.

Librarians, trustees, patrons, and other friends of libraries should indicate their support to their Representatives.

Youth Employment Act

S. 1, the Youth Employment Act aimed at finding productive jobs for the unemployed and frequently untrained young people, has passed the Senate.

Libraries are listed as community agencies which might usefully employ these young people.

The House version, H. R. 5131, was reported favorably by the House Education and Labor Committee.

Write your Congressman or Senator for a copy of these measures and indicate your reaction.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ALA CHICAGO CONFERENCE

Several preconference workshops, institutes, and meetings will precede the 82nd annual conference of the American Library Association, July 14-30, 1963, in Chicago.

The American Association of State Libraries will discuss standards for the library functions of the states at a meeting on July 13.

The educational value of audio-visual materials in library services will be the topic of a workshop sponsored by the Audio-Visual Committee on July 12 and 13.

An institute on reading improvement for adults sponsored by the ALA-NEA Joint Committee and the Adult Services Division will take place on July 13 at the Pick-Congress Hotel.

The Library Administration Division will sponsor a Library Buildings Institute on July 12 and 13 at the Conrad Hilton Hotel. The theme will be Quality Buildings for Quality Service.

On July 13 and 14, the American Library Trustee Association will hold an institute on the theme, Library Trustees—Leaders in Breaking the Barrier to Creative Inquiry. The institute will be held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel.

The conference will open with a General Session at 8:30 p.m. at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, the headquarters for the conference. The new ALA headquarters building will be turned over to President Bryan and the membership, and certain award presentations will be made.

A "Conference Within a Conference," a device to place concentration on the problem confronting libraries of all types—that of student use of libraries—will consist of five sessions on July 16, 17, and 18.

The divisions, projects, and round tables will hold meetings of their memberships during the week.

An inaugural banquet will close the conference with President-Elect Wagman speaking on Obligations to the Future.

NEW EMORY TRUSTEE

Friends and alumni of Emory University will be interested to learn that Governor Donald S. Russell is one of Emory's newest trustees.

LOCAL GROUPS CONTRIBUTE TO FLORENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Thirteen local organizations have made substantial contributions to the Florence Public Library. Mrs. Marguerite G. Thompson, librarian, reviewed the contributions, an outstanding example of community support and interest, during National Library Week.

The Sertoma Club is renovating a section of the ground floor of the Florence Public Library for a Children's Department. Included in the renovation is: painting ceiling, walls, woodwork, shelves, and tables; adding 37 book shelves; and a tilted reading table and benches and installation of a tiled floor. Members of the Sertoma Club will do most of the work during the evening hours.

The Kiwanis Club, through its spiritual life committee, has contributed 27 new religious books and plans to add more to meet the needs of the library.

A continuing project by the Cosmos Literary Club has provided \$300 for the purchase of children's records. The club annually contributes \$25 for this project.

Members of the Rotary Club commemorate their birthdays by contributing a book in the field of business or economics.

Gardening topics are covered in contributions made by the Wildwood Garden Club.

A contribution from the Research Club has been used to supplement the scientific volumes.

Both the Mid Century Literary Club and the Archibald Rutledge Literary Club are contributing works in the science field, as are the Florence Literary Club and the Athens Literary Club.

Books in the field of aging are being contributed by the Literary Lantern Club.

The Florence Chapter of the American Association of University Women are adding books in the field of mental health.

The Federation of Women's Clubs is contributing to the library funds to be used where needed most to bring the library standards up to par. They have not designated any particular field, but request that the funds be used where the greatest needs exist.

The Pee Dee Kiwanis Club is considering as one of its projects, the contribution of a photocopy machine to the library. This would enable students and other patrons to copy pages and articles from books and periodicals.

Mrs. Thompson said other groups and individuals have also expressed an interest in the library and may, in the near future, make contributions.

LIBRARY BROCHURES

Anderson County

The trustees and staff of the Anderson County Library have compiled a manual of procedures for guidance of present and future members. The manual sets forth the objectives of the library, lists the by-laws and policies of the library, includes a personnel manual, and outlines routines and procedures.

Lancaster County

A pamphlet, The Lancaster County Library: What it is—What it does—What it needs, describes the library board and its legal status, discusses the services and staff of the library, and enumerates the present and future needs. A history of the library written by Elmer Don Herd, Jr. is appended.

LIBRARIANS COMING AND GOING

Mrs. Marion T. Rudloff has resigned as librarian of the Berkeley County Library.
Mrs. Eloise G. Gowder is acting librarian until Mrs. Rudloff's successor is appointed.

Florence Anderson, a graduate of Anderson Junior College, has joined the staff of the Greenwood City and County Public Library.

Mrs. George Reid Muldrow has resigned as Lee County librarian and will be succeeded on June 17 by Mrs. E. H. Brown.

AROUND AND ABOUT SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY LIBRARIES

Charleston

West Ashley civic leaders and county officials witnessed the groundbreaking ceremonies for the West Ashley Branch of the Charleston County Library on May 8, 1963.

Kershaw

Camden city councilmen have voted to hold a referendum on the proposed merger of the Camden City Library and the Kershaw County Library 'provided details concerning building expansion, operating budget, and use of property can be worked out."

Laurens

Cannon Construction & Supply Co., Inc. of Newberry was awarded the contract for the construction of a new wing and remodelling of the Laurens County Library. Laurens City Council has provided a parking area for the library within the city park adjoining the library.

Spartanburg

Paintings by Wen-Chi Kao, a young Chinese artist, were exhibited May 15-May 31 at the Spartanburg Public Library. Miss Kao is a graduate student at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina.

GREENVILLE BOOKMOBILE GIVES NIGHT SERVICE

The Greenville County Library inaugurated night time bookmobile service on May 2. From 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. a bookmobile operated by Mrs. John Talmage was located at the Wade Hampton Mall. About a dozen patrons borrowed 40 books.

Stops will be made every two weeks.

DONATIONS

Anderson

The Anderson Council of Garden Clubs has presented \$100 to the Anderson County Library to purchase new books for the Garden Shelf.

Edgefield

W. Bland Mathis, Jr. has presented an autographed copy of The Poetry of Robert Frost by John Robert Doyle, Jr. to the Edgefield County Library. The author, who is on the faculty of the Citadel, was visiting professor of American Literature at the Universities of Cape Town and the Witwatersrand. His book was published by the Witwatersrand University Press, Johannesburg, and reprinted by the Hafner Publishing Co.

SOUTH CAROLINIANA

Clark, Mrs. Samuel J. "Santee Stories and Other Tales", recollections of plantation life in the Santee River country, published in a limited edition, may be purchased for \$3.00 postpaid from G. Dewey Clark, P. O. Box 184, Manning, S. C.

The Greenwood County Historical Society has published the "Diary of Rosanna Law—1853," which includes considerable genealogical information on upper South Carolina families. It is available from McCaslan's Book Store, Greenwood, S. C., for \$1.15 (includes 15 cents for postage and handling.)

SCHOLARSHIP DEPARTMENT

Sara Henry, Simmons College student, and Gloria Lindler, Rutgers University, writes from Boston:

"The impressiveness of Boston Public Library, thrill of the Boston Pops, quaintness of Louisburg Square, beauty of the Commons and gardens, grandeur of the State House, excitement of Tallulah Bankhead in "Hear Today," and speed of the MTA, and last but not least, the masculinity of Harvard and MIT combine to make a weekend in Boston one to remember."

Mrs. L. B. Morley, who is attending the University of North Carolina Library School, writes that she plans to assume her duties as Colleton County librarian on August 15.

YOUR PROBLEMS by Anne Library

Dear Anne:

Each year when the State Library Board's annual report on public libraries is published, I check our library with a neighboring library which serves about the same number of people and has almost the same financial support as ours. And each year the answer is the same—they add more volumes and their circulation is higher than ours. I thought they might be buying cheaper books, but when I paid a "snooping" visit, their book collection looks a lot better than ours and includes expensive books we have never been able to afford. I don't see how anyone could stretch the library's book dollar farther than I do. I am always buying bargains and spend a lot of time talking with remainder salesmen and checking the books they have to offer. What's the answer? Is that library heavily endowed?

Scotty

Dear Scotty:

That library is "heavily endowed"—with common horse sense! You are "scattering plenty o'er a smiling land" when you order from publishers, local bookstores, various jobbers, and every salesman who comes along with a "good line" and a line of remainders, which were sub-standard when they were new.

Did you ever consider the waste of time in having to prepare and keep track of numerous small orders? You are wasting your time and the library's money by not ordering from the jobber who gives you the best discount and the best service when you spend the major portion of your book budget with him. Haven't you ever considered what results from a cursory examination of books—or worse, book jackets temptingly

displayed by a persuasive salesman? Don't you realize that you are violating every principle of book selection?

Follow the lead your neighboring library has given you. Streamline your book selection and order procedures and sit back and count your savings in—time, money, and gloat over a bigger and better book collection.

Anne

LET FREEDOM RING

July 4, 1963, will inaugurate a great new national observance of Independence Day. "Bells will peal across the land—from churches, from government buildings, from college campuses. The proposal for an annual bell-ringing celebration of the Fourth... was first advanced in This Week. From White House and Capitol Hill to thousands of grade schools, it is certain that the bells will ring out!" (from This Week Magazine, April 28, 1963; see also February 17, 1963)

Nationwide citizen participation in this inspiring celebration is bound to result in greater interest in our rich heritage of freedom, and the ideas which founded and are perpetuating this heritage.

Only libraries can meet this surge of new awareness and interest, with books and year-long information about this freedom heritage, and the actual documents themselves.

So that every library of any type or size—ANYWHERE—may have an opportunity to take part in this celebration and its results—the Public Relations Planner has also prepared an inexpensive kit which contains a copy of the large (12" x 20") and strikingly beautiful three-color poster, plus practical, simple suggestions for display of books, magazines and documents, especially featuring the Declaration of Independence. This kit may be secured by remitting \$1 (no stamps, please) to: Public Relations Planner, P. O. Box 4132, South Denver Station, Denver 9, Colorado.

EASY ON THE EYES

Easy on the Eyes, a listing of books printed in large, clear type, is now available from the New England Council of Optometrists Inc., 101 Tremont Street, Room 602, Boston 8. The New England Council of Optometrists initiated the idea behind the list, i.e. "to provide an up-to-date list of books printed in larger than normal type for . . patients who complain of difficulty in reading books of average type." The Adult Education Committee of the M. L.A. made it a reality. After checking the titles against your library catalog, you might want to contact the local Lions Club in your community. As a Service Club, interested in sight conservation, perhaps they would provide some titles in large print for your library.

----- Mass., Division of Library Extension Newsletter, March, 1963

READING FOR AN AGE OF CHANGE

Marston Bates, ecologist, points out in his Expanding Population in a Shrinking World that population is increasing at the rate of a city the size of Chicage every month and nations and classes that can least afford population increases tend to multiply most rapidly. He warns that the mass of humanity will equal the total mass of the earth itself if the present population of the earth grows at the present rate of 1700 years more. The 36-page booklet is the fourth in a series of guides to Reading for an Age of Change published by the American Library Association in cooperation with the Public Affairs Committee, Inc.

Expanding Population in a Shrinking World should be ordered from the Public Affairs Committee, 22 East 38th Street, New York 16, New York. Information on the full series on Reading for an Age of Change is also available from the Committee. Prices per title: 1-19 copies, 60 cents each; 20-99 copies, 50 cents each; 100 or more, 40 cents each. Subscriptions for the first five guides in the series, \$2.50; 25 or more subscriptions, \$2.00.

ALA CONFERENCE, ANYONE?

If you are planning to attend the ALA Conference in Chicago, and if this is your first one, please send your name and address to Estellene P. Walker, Director, S. C. State Library Board, 1001 Main Street, Columbia 1, South Carolina. A special program for librarians attending their first conference is being planned by the Junior Members Round Table and the ALA Membership Committee. Miss Walker will forward the guest list to the hosts.

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